

The Heard Museum's Annual Katsina Marketplace Returns

24th Annual Katsina Marketplace

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The tradition of katsina doll carving comes to life at the Heard Museum's 24th Annual Katsina Marketplace on April 11, 2026. This free event is the largest gathering of Hopi katsina doll carvers, bringing together renowned artists, collectors, and enthusiasts inside the Museum's Steele Auditorium.

Katsina dolls hold profound meaning in Hopi culture, representing spiritual messengers and embodying teachings, prayers, and blessings. The Katsina Marketplace offers a unique opportunity to meet talented Hopi carvers, witness carving demonstrations and enjoy live music.

This is a unique and special event for the artists, in that the carvings are exclusively Katsinam and there are no artist fees. The Heard Museum Shop happily sponsors the event as a way to give back to the carvers and highlight this special medium of art. From the complete novice to the experienced collector, there is something for everyone.

The 2026 Signature Katsina Doll is by Buddy Tubinaghtewa (Hopi) and will be offered in a raffle. Patrons can purchase tickets for the drawing in-store at the Heard Museum Shop for \$2 each or six tickets for \$10. The raffle drawing will take place on the day of the event, and the winner does not need to be present to win.



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